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**For Immediate Release**

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## **Wanted Gang Member Apprehended after Selling Gun, Drugs to Undercover Detective**

The Lake County Sheriff's Gang Task Force and Lake County Sheriff's Warrants Team worked together to apprehend a wanted street gang member.

On August 24, 2016, Keonte D. Wilson, 27, of the 2800 block of Darrow Lane, Waukegan, sold crack cocaine and a firearm to an undercover Lake County Sheriff's Gang Task Force Detective. On September 15, 2016 detectives obtained a \$500,000.00 arrest warrant for Wilson for unlawful delivery of a controlled substance (class 2 felony) and unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon (class 2 felony).

Upon the issuance of the arrest warrant, the Lake County Sheriff's Warrant Team and U.S. Marshals Service – Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (USMS-GLRFTF) began searching for Wilson. It was learned Wilson likely fled to Florida.

On January 14, 2017 a no-bond parole violation warrant was issued for Wilson by the Illinois Department of Corrections. The parole violation warrant was for aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, vehicular hijacking, reckless discharge of a firearm, attempt aggravated robbery, obstructing a peace officer, and assault.

On February 10, 2017 information was developed Wilson was likely hiding at his girlfriend's residence in Wimauma, Florida. The Lake County Sheriff's Warrants Team and USMS-GLRFTF worked with the U.S. Marshals Service – Florida Regional Fugitive Task Force and apprehended Wilson in the 14400 block of Alistar Manor Drive, Wimauma, FL.

Wilson remains in custody at the Hillsborough County Jail in Florida pending an extradition hearing.

Sheriff Curran reminds the public the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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